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		Application Number	09/631,355		
		Filing Date	August 2, 2000		
		First Named Inventor	Tetsuya NISHI et al.		
		Group Art Unit	2872		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$1172.00	Examiner Name	R. Shafer		
FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/00)					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	16	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	- 3 =	3	X \$ 84.00 =	252.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>August 22, 2001</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$400); 3 months (\$920); 4 months (\$1,440); 5 months (\$1,960)):					920.00
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 1172.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					\$ 1172.00
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SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP					
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tetsuya NISHI et al.

Serial No. 09/631,355

Confirmation No. 9683

Filed: August 2, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2872

Examiner: R. Shafer

For: POLARIZATION CONTROL OPTICAL SPACE SWITCH

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 22, 2001, and having a period for response set to expire on August 22, 2001. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to November 22, 2001.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please REPLACE claims 23-31 and ADD new claims 32-38 in accordance with the following:

23. (ONCE AMENDED) A polarization control optical space switch comprising:
a plurality of polarization control optical switches cascaded together;
wherein each polarization control optical switch comprises:
a first polarization controller that is capable of changing the polarization of light incident thereon by one of applying voltage thereto and not applying voltage thereto;
a first element to change the optical path of light from said first polarization controller;

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